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CHAPTER: 11 HEALTH SERVICES	SUBJECT: MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES	
APPROVED BY THE COMMISSIONER:		
EFFECTIVE DATE: 11-19-07		

PURPOSE:

Mental health services are provided that assist inmates with mental health problems to maintain their best level of functioning.

POLICY:

1. Mental health services are available to all inmates who require them. This would include the use of a variety of psychosocial and pharmacological therapies, either individual or group, including biological, psychological and social interventions to alleviate symptoms, attain appropriate functioning, and prevent relapse.
2. Mental health services also include crisis intervention, short term individual or group therapy as needed and psychotropic medication management.
3. Mental health, medical, and substance abuse services are sufficiently coordinated such that patient management is appropriately integrated, health needs are met, and the impact of any of these conditions on each other is adequately addressed.

References:

National Commission on Correctional Mental Health Care: Standards & Guidelines for Delivering Services, 2003. M-G-04

American Correctional Association: Standards for Adult Correctional Institutions, 4th Edition January 2003. 4-4368